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In re Application of:

HABERMANN et al.

Application No.: 09/664,326

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For: SIGNAL SEQUENCES FOR
PREPARING LEU-HIRUDIN BY
SECRETION BY E. COLI INTO THE
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Preliminary Amendment

This Preliminary Amendment is being filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination. Prior to the examination of the above application, please amend this application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected on the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper. **Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.